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**VIA HAND DELIVERY**

February 11, 2005

The Honorable Charles L. A. Terreni  
Chief Clerk/Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
P.O. Drawer 11649  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

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RE: Request for Night Hearing – PSC Docket No. 2004-357-WS  
Carolina Water Service, Inc. – Application for Adjustment of Rates and  
Charges and Modification of Certain Terms and Conditions for the  
Provision of Water and Sewer Service

Dear Charlie:

Carolina Water Service, Inc. (CWS), a public utility under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission), has filed an application seeking an increase in certain rates and charges and modification of certain terms and conditions related to CWS' provision of water and sewer services within South Carolina. The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) is a party to the proceeding and will be participating in all proceedings related to the docket.

CWS provides sewer service to Kings Grant subdivision and water and sewer services to Teal on the Ashley subdivision, both located in Dorchester County, South Carolina. During CWS' last rate application in 2001, the Commission held a night hearing in Summerville, South Carolina to afford ratepayers in Dorchester County a convenient forum in which to express their views on the proposed changes in rates and charges. Interest from Dorchester County in the present CWS rate case has been expressed to members of the ORS staff. Based on this expression of interest in the present rate case, the ORS respectfully requests that the Commission schedule a night hearing at a location

in Dorchester County where members of the public may be heard with respect to the pending application of CWS for an increase in rates and charges.

Thanking you in advance for your assistance in this request, I am

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Florence P. Belser", written over the typed name.

Florence P. Belser  
General Counsel

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cc: John M.S. Hoefer, Esquire